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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Examiner has identified for examination on the merits eight species, each identified specie relating respectively to Fig 1, Fig. 2, Fig. 7, Fig. 8, Fig. 9, Fig. 11 and Fig. 12. Applicant hereby elects the specie embodied in Figure 1. All of the claims as filed relate to this specie.

The Examiner has extended a courtesy notice that the word "topology" is not defined in the disclosure, citing a dictionary definition which only includes medical, cartographic and mathematical definitions. Applicant thanks the Examiner for this courtesy, and respectfully traverses this position. The word topology is readily understood by those skilled in the art to refer to the system layout of the component parts of an engine system, much as if we were looking at a map of such a system. As such, Applicant believes that no express definition of the term need be present in the disclosure.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8a)

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However, to avoid unnecessary delay, Applicant requests and directs that the word --system-- be inserted by Examiner amendment in place of all occurrences of the word "topology" in the claims, asserting that these two words are equivalent in meaning in this context.

Applicant believes it has responded fully to all of the Examiner's concerns. If the Examiner has any further concerns, Applicant urges him to call Applicant's attorney, Patrick Dwyer at (206) 343-7074.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patrick Dwyer', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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